

TO:

Parks and Recreation Board

FROM:

Michael J. Heitz, AIA, Director Parks and Recreation Department

DATE:

July 20, 1993

SUBJECT: Construction of single slip boat dock, at "Cliffs over Lake

Austin" (4809 Palisade Drive)

A request has been received from Royce Reynolds Construction Inc., on behalf of Pat Howard, to construct a covered single slip boat dock, at "Cliffs over Lake Austin," as an accessory structure to 4809 Palisades Drive.

The Board in 1980 approved the construction of 18 clustered boat docks to serve the subdivision, subject to the individual boat dock requests being approved by the Board. A copy of the Board's minutes of the meeting of April 22, 1980 is attached.

Parks and Recreation Department staff have reviewed the project and the site plans meet the requirements of Article VI, Division 4, Part E (Requirements for the Construction Of Boat Docks) of the Land Development Code (including all amendments).

Recommendation

I recommend approval of the request to construct a covered single slip boat dock at "Cliffs over Lake Austin," as an accessory structure to 4809 Palisades Drive.

If I can provide you with any additional information, please contact me.

Michael J. Heitz, AIA, Director Parks and Recreation Department

MH:PM

DISTRIBUTION MEMORANDUM 15-JUL-1993

TO:

COMMENT DUE DATE: 23-JUL-1993

FROM: SITE PLAN REVIEW DIVISION/PLANNING DEPT

SUBJECT: DEVELOPMENT PERMIT ONLY

SP-93-0335DS

PROJECT: HOWARD BOAT DOCK

4809 PALISADE DR

CASE MANAGER: HAMILTON, SHAW 499-2751

APPLICATION DATE: 15-JUL-1993

ZIP: 78731

FULL PURPOSE WATERSHED: Lake Austin RURAL WATER SUPPLY

OWNER: HOWARD, PATRICK

(512)

4809 PALISADES DRIVE AUSTIN, TX 78731

CONTACT: PATRICK HOWARD

AGENT: ROYCE E. REYNOLDS

(512)452-6514

408 HAMMACK DRIVE AUSTIN, TX 78752

CONTACT: ROYCE

SITE PLAN AREA: 0.007 ACRES

(299 SQ FT)

UTILITY OR STORM SEWER LENGTH:

O LINEAR FEET

EXISTING ZONING: **EXISTING USE:**

TRACT

ACRES/SQ FT PROPOSED USE

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BOATDOCK

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SINGLE-FAMILY

RELATED CASE NUMBERS (IF ANY):

OTHER PROVISIONS:

QUALIFIES AS A SMALL PROJECT TIA IS NOT REQUIRED FEE RECEIPT #: 1256592

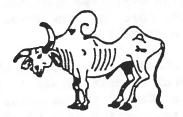
SUBD NAME: CLIFF OVER LAKE AUSTIN

BLOCK/LOT:

PLAT BOOK/PAGE:

PARCEL #:

ROYCE E. REYNOLDS CONST., INC. 408 Hammack Drive Austin, Texas 78752 (512) 452-6514



July 12, 1993

PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT

Pat Howard
4809 Palisade Dr.
Austin, Texas

Request the approval of Boat Dock Construction among the 18 Docks limited to the Cliffs Over Lake Austin Subdivision approved on April 22, 1980 with the stipulations that each landowner apply for an individual Boat Dock Permit.

Construction to begin on or about 8/15/93 and to be completed within 30 days.

There is no intent to gain shoreline or affect navagation/recreation.

All materials to meet Lake Austin/ City of Austin Code as to plans.

Elect. to City of Austin Code.

Royce E. Reynolds

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purchase the area. Mr. Rovira also explained that the group would not be satisfied with just the floodplain portion. There was further discussion in support of the purchase of the property.

It was moved by Mr. Bray and seconded by Mr. Coffee, that the Board direct the Parks and Recreation Department Planning staff to again review the request, work with the South River City Citizens group and bring a recommendation back to the Board. The motion carried unanimously.

ITEMS FROM BOARD MEMBERS

Mr. Bray invited everyone to attend the groundbreaking ceremonies for the Austin Nature Center to be held Sunday, April 27, 1980, 1:30 p.m., in Zilker Park. Mr. Bray also asked for a status report on the proposed ordinances concerning the control of boats on Lake Austin and mandatory dedication of parkland from developers.

AMENDED APPROVAL OF BOAT DOCKS AT CLIFF OVER LAKE AUSTIN

Mr. David Minter, representing the Moody Corporation, dba The Cliff Over Lake Austin, explained that he had appeared before the Board previously and received permission to construct 18 boat docks on Lake Austin in the "Cliff Over Lake Austin" Subdivision. The permit was issued to indicate that the Moody Corporation would build each boat dock, but this was not the case, and they were proposing that each lot owner build their own boat dock. Mr. Minter explained they would only be telling the owners how and where the boat docks would be built. Mr. Reed asked if they were requesting that each landowner apply for an individual permit. Mr. Minter explained this was the request. Mr. Jim Clardy from the Building Department, explained each landowner would have to have a set of sealed engineering plans and apply for individual permits. Mr. Reed explained that he understood the request to mean that the first landowner would have a complete set of engineering plans and other landowners would construct their boat docks in the same manner.

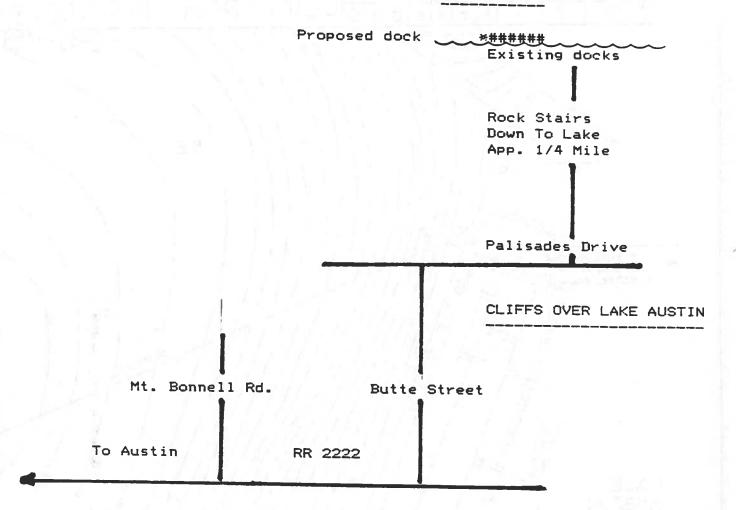
After further discussion, it was moved by Mr. Reed and seconded by Mr. Coffee, that the Parks and Recreation Board amend the original request of the Moody Corporation, dba The Cliff Over Lake Austin, to stipulate that each landowner apply for an individual boat dock permit with sealed engineering plans; that the number of boat docks be limited to 18, and that the boat docks be constructed in the area and according to plans originally approved by the Board. The motion carried with Mr. Bray abstaining.

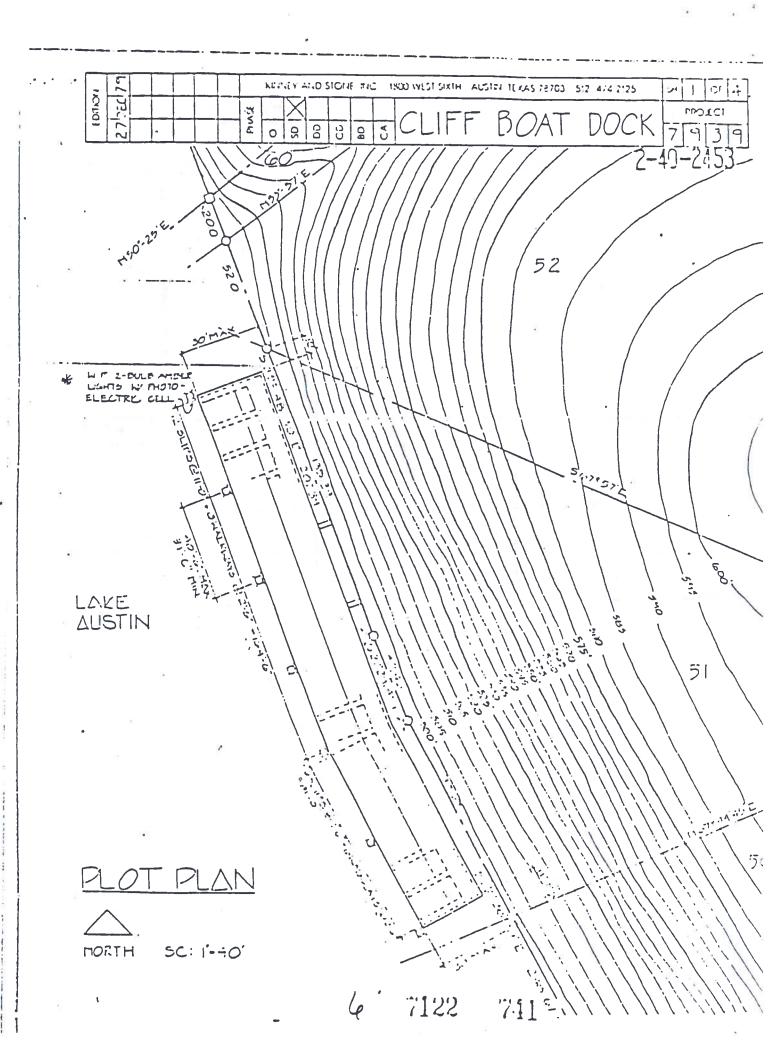
TEMPORARY STRUCTURES IN LAKE AUSTIN FOR LOOP 360 BRIDGE

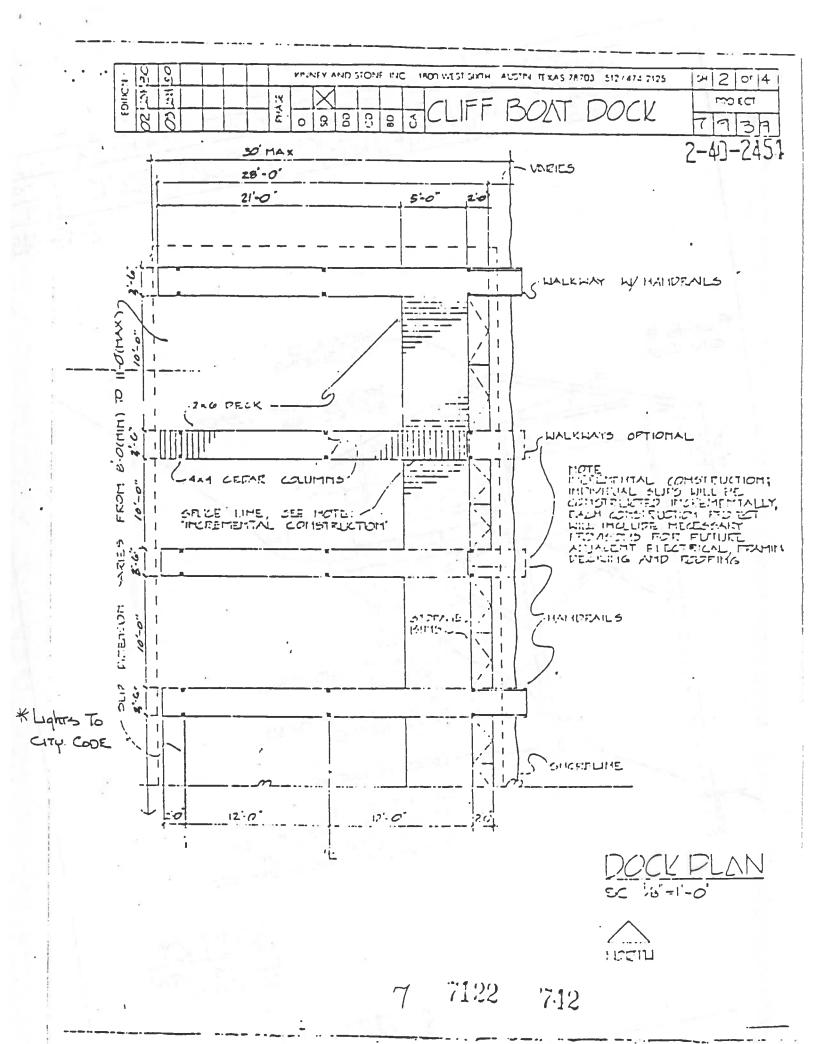
Mr. Edward R. Westall, Project Manager, Clearwater Constructors, explained there is a need to place 8 temporary support structures in Lake Austin for the construction of the Loop 360 Bridge. The supports will need to be left in the lake for 9 months starting in November 1980 through July 1981. They will only be using them for six months, but the other three months will be needed to place the structures in the lake and remove them. They will be painted a flourescent orange and be lighted at night to avoid any collisions.

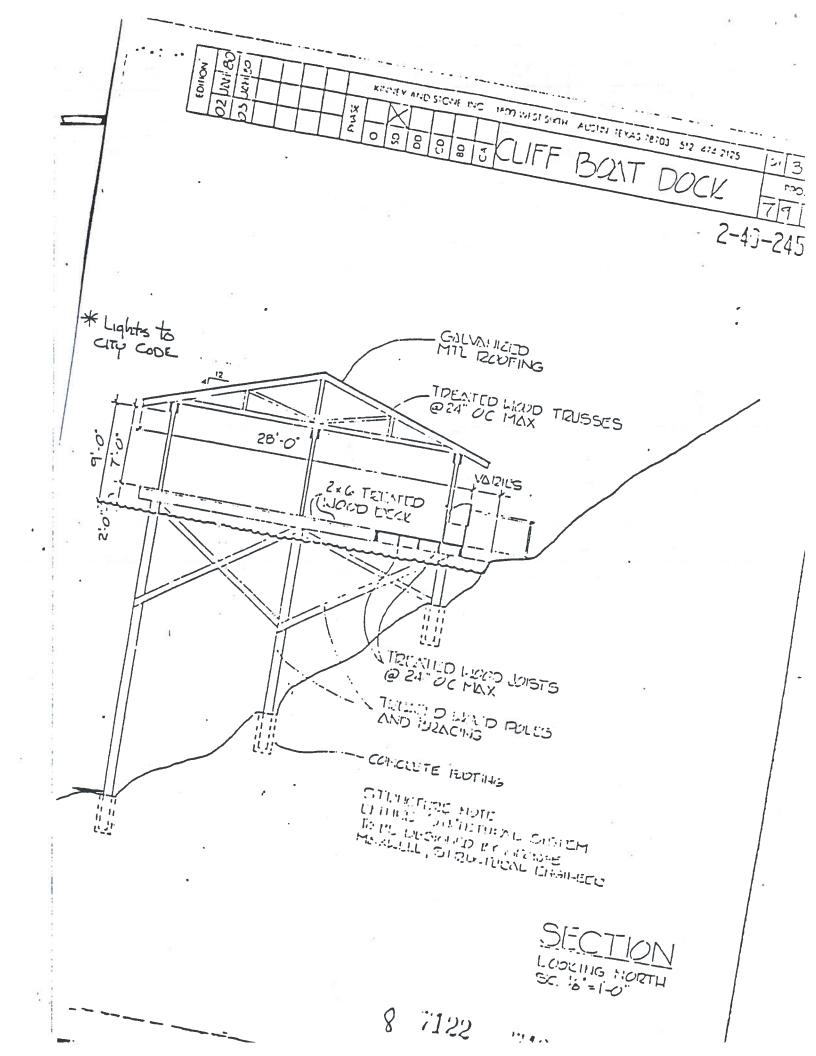
Mr. Bray asked about the riff-raff that has been pushed into the lake by another contractor. Mr. Westall explained that the Texas Highway Department was the responsible agency to contact about this. Mr. Ehrler stated that staff

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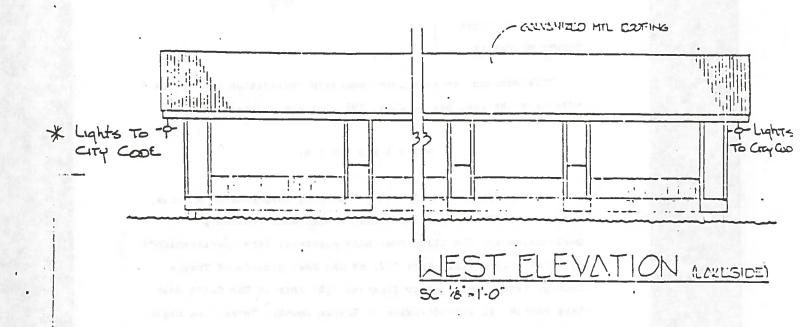


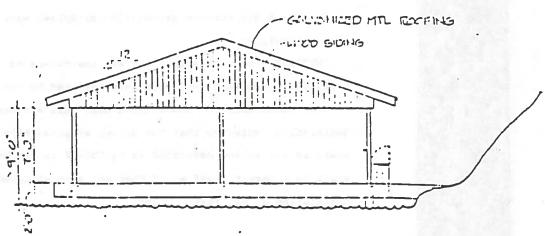




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ADDENDUM TO BOAT DOCK OWNERSHIP DECLAPATION

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THE STATE OF TEXAS
COUNTY OF TRAVIS

This Addendum to Boat Dock Ownership Declaration made to be effective the 31st day of July, 1981, by the undersigned,

WITNESSETHE

WHEREAS, on October 2, 1980, The Moody Corporation, a Texas corporation ("Developer") executed a Boat Dock Ownership Declaration for The Cliff Over Lake Austin-II (the "Declaration") filed at Volume 7122, Page 727, of the Deed Records of Travis County, Texas, granting to Eighteen (18) lots in The Cliff Over Lake Austin II, a subdivision in Travis County, Texas, the right to apply for permits to build boat docks;

WHEREAS, the Declaration referred to Bylaws attached thereto as Exhibit B but through an omission no Bylaws were attached to the Declaration;

WHEREAS, the undersigned are all the owners of lots in The Cliff Over Lake Austin-II which are affected by the Declaration;

NOW THEREFORE, the undersigned make this Addendum to the Declaration declaring that the Bylaws attached hereto are and shall be the Bylaws described as Exhibit B in the Declaration and shall be a part thereof as if they had been attached to the Declaration as originally filed.

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TO:

Parks and Recreation Board

FROM:

Michael J. Heitz, AIA, Director

Parks and Recreation Department

DATE:

July 19, 1993

SUBJECT: Agreement for Stevie Ray Vaughan Memorial Statue

The Law Department is in the process of finalizing an "Agreement for the Donation of Artwork" for the Stevie Ray Vaughan statue to be installed along Town Lake. The artist, basic design and location of the statue have already been approved.

The main points of the Agreement are: The Stevie Ray Vaughan Memorial Fund, Inc. ("Fund") will be responsible for all costs associated with the statue and its installation. Upon completion of installation and site work, the statue will be donated to the City for ownership and maintenance. The Fund will also donate funds, the proceeds of which will be used for repair and maintenance of the statue. Should the funds prove insufficient, the City shall have no obligation to provide repair or maintenance above that afforded through its annual operating funds.

RECOMMENDATION: Approve the negotiation and execution of an "Agreement for the Donation of Artwork" between the City and the Stevie Ray Vaughan Memorial Fund, Inc. for the installation and maintenance of a new statue in Town Lake Park.

Michael J. Heitz, AIA, Director Parks and Recreation Department



TO:

Parks and Recreation Board

FROM:

Michael J. Heitz, AIA, Director Parks and Recreation Department

DATE:

July 19, 1993

SUBJECT: Naming of New Park

This June, the City purchased approximately 2 acres of land along East Bouldin Creek adjacent to existing greenbelt (Attachment A). The land was purchased from the great grandchildren of Nicholas Dawson, who first settled in the South Austin area in 1851.

The Dawson descendants requested during early purchase negotiations that the new parkland be named for the family. This month, the family submitted a formal application (Attachment B), according to City policy, to name the new park after their great grandfather, the original settler, Nicholas Dawson. Apparently, Dawson camped on the banks of Bouldin Creek at the site of the new park in 1851 on his way to California. His wife became ill and convinced him to settle in Austin instead of going on to California. They settled in the far south Austin area.

According to the documents, one of Dawson's younger sons, Nicholas Amos Dawson, was responsible for development of much of the area just south of Barton Springs Road between the railroad track and South First Street, an area including the new park.

RECOMMENDATION: I recommend your approval to name the newly acquired parkland for Nicholas Dawson.

Michael J Herz, AIA, Director Parks and Recreation Department

ATTACHMENT B

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Nicholas Dawson, son of George and Mary (Blackmore) Dawson, was born in Beaver County, Pennsylvania, January 22, 1819.

At the age of nineteen decided to see part of the world--and he did. He began by teaching school in different states. His career as a teacher did not last many years. In 1841--was one of the first to cross the plains and Rockies in wagons. He was captured by the Cheyenne Indians but released, thus acquiring the name of "Cheyenne" Dawson for the rest of the trip to designate him from Dawson called "Bear" Dawson. In 1842--was on the Pacific slope where he spent two years. In 1844--was in the City of Mexico, from there to Vera Cruz, and then returned to the States and Arkansas, where he had at one time taught school.

He was married to Margaret Wright, daughter of Amos and Elizabeth (Wilson) Wright in Sevier County, Arkansas on March 29, 1848.

About that time the gold strike in California became news and he, having been in that state, became excited and wanted to go back, so in 1848, leaving his wife with her parents, he and one of her brothers joined an expedition going the southern route to California.

They were many weary months on the way.. Mr. Dawson was successful in his diggings but made money more rapidly freighting.

In 1851, he returned to Arkansas and the same year came to Travis County, Texas. He first located a few miles south of Austin on the San Antonio Road; Austin then not much more than a very small town with small population and few stores.

After the close of the Civil War, he located some seven miles southwest of Austin where he lived until he died in 1903 at the age of 84 years. His wife died in 1918, aged 90 years.

To this union were born seven children: Charles died in infancy; Mary Jane taught in the Austin Public School. The Mollie Dawson School in South Austin is named in her honor. She was 80 years old at death; George died when four years old; Nancy Elizabeth taught in the Austin and San Antonio Public Schools, was 92 years old at death; James died when three years old; Nicholas Amos, born April 6th, 1864, married Jane (Jennie) Davis, died July 6th, 1939, aged 75 years; Margaret Isabell, married W. Augustus Daniels, was 75 years old at death.

The property owned and improved by Nicholas Dawson is now owned by the Nicholas Amos Dawson heirs, the old house still stands and is in a very good livable condition.

Andrew Book

JOE J. DAWSON

AUSTIN, TEXAS

Colorful Early Austin Resident Taken by Death

Man Who Put Street Car Line in South Austin Succumbs

Nicholas A. Dawson, owner and operator of the only street railway which operated only in South Austin, died at a local hospital at 10 a. m. Thursday.

A lifetime resident of Austin, Dawson was one of the city's most colorful and prominent figures.

He was a member of the first graduating class at A. & M. college in Bryan, and later attended the law school at the University of

About 50 years ago, Dawson represented Travis county in the state legislature for one term.

Notable Litigation

Dawson, who was 75 at the time of his death, built a streetcar track south of Congress avenue bridge in South Austin. Friends recalled that the struggle for control of the bridge across the river between him and the Austin Street railway company provided one of the most notable pieces of litigation in Travis county. The short street railway line was operated about 1900 or 1901, oldtimers here recalled. One Austinite stated that during

the dispute over the bridge, Daw-

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Nicholas Dawson Claimed by Death

Services for Pioneer Developer Today

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son, to avoid an injunction, had a crew to lay tracks after midnight on the bridge to take his streetcar line into town.

of South Austin and at the time of his death was said to be one of the largest owners of real estate in that section of the city.

Dawson was the son of Nicholas the Dawson Sr. who was one of the original Forty-Niners in the California gold rush. He established his homestead in Travis county more than 90 years ago on the Manchaca road, where his son was residing at the time of his death. The Dawson homestead is said to be probably the oldest house in Texas, standing exactly as it did on the day of its building.

Dawson married Miss Jennie Davis, daughter of Joe Davis, one of the pioneers of Travis county, and his sister, now deceased, Miss Mollie Dawson, was one of the early teachers in the Austin public schools.

In later years Dawson abandoned the practice of law and engaged in contracting and real estate,

He is survived by his widow, Mrs. Jennie Davis Dawson; three daughters, Mrs. R. W. Herndon of Austin; Mrs. Ruth B. Tinnin of San Antonio; and Mrs. Jane D. Parker of Dallas; two sons, N. A. Dawson, Jr., of Oklahoma and Joe J. Dawson of Austin; two sisters, Miss Nannie E. Dawson of Austin and Mrs. Belle D. Daniels of San Antonic; two granddaughters, Mrs. Andrew J. Flannigan of Austin, Mrs. J. S. Ramsey of San Antonio, and a grandson, M. Dawson Tinnin of Austin.

Funeral services will be conducted at the Thurlow Weed Funeral home Friday at 6 p. m., and burial will be in the Masonic cemetery on Boggy creek.

Weeds Hide Monument To Lost Hope

Austin has landmarks and monuments to the struggles of its builders, but few if any more intriguing than the foundation of what would have been Austin's greatest mansion.

It was started by the late Nick Dawson in 1892. But the pioneer South Austin builder had to drop his plans for the mansion in the panic of 1894.

Dawson built the only street railway line in South Austin. About this time he became involved in a struggle with rival interests, and

the streetcar line was abandoned.

Dawson was a difficult person to discourage. The financial panic made money scarce. Dawson had to wait to build his mansion.

He turned to other interests for many years, finally coming back to undertake again the development of Dawson Heights. This time he began by building cottages for sale

Mew months before his recent death Dawson was still expecting to build his mansion. He said he ex-pected the completed structure to cost around \$50,000.

His death, wrote finis to the

story.
What remains of that long strug-workgle is the limestone masonry—work-manship that has withstood the ravages of the elements for half a century and which is a challenge to the builders of today—on one of the most commanding views of the city, hidden by native growth from Bar-ton Springs road only a few yards away. It stands today as a monu-ment of a forlorn hope.

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TO:

Parks and Recreation Board

FROM: Michael J. Heitz, AIA, Director

Parks and Recreation Department

DATE: August 5, 1993

SUBJECT: Proposed Ordinance Change - Exemption Process for Boats on

Town Lake

Chapter 14-2-2 of the City Code contains a provision for exemptions to the Ordinance prohibiting motorboats on Town Lake between Tom Miller and Longhorn Dams. Presently, a citizen desiring the exemption must have his formal request form approved by the Administrator of Park Police, Director of Parks and Recreation, and the City Manager. This necessitates visits to three separate City buildings.

With your concurrence, I plan to propose to City Council that the Ordinance be changed to reflect that exemptions may be approved by the Director of Parks and Recreation, without having to go to the City Manager. I believe this will be more customer-service oriented for the citizens of Austin.

This change will not affect the careful consideration given to any such requests, as I am fully aware of the sensitivity of the Town Lake corridor and the intent of the Ordinance prohibiting motorboat traffic in this area.

Your approval is recommended.

Michael J. Heitz, ALA, Director Parks and Recreation Department



TO:

Parks and Recreation Board

FROM:

Michael J. Heitz, AIA, Director

Parks and Recreation Department

DATE:

August 5, 1993

SUBJECT: Proposed Ordinance Change - Leash Law

Chapter 3-3-3 of the City Code provides a list of designated areas for dog owners to allow their dogs to be without direct physical control. It has been a number of years since this list was updated, and the City has received a petition from residents of the Travis Heights area to add a segment of Stacy Park to that list.

Unless an Ordinance stipulates otherwise, any changes to that Ordinance must be approved by the City Council. Other Ordinances, such as that governing areas of parks in which alcohol may not be consumed, sold or possessed (Chapter 11-1-4) may have sites administratively designated by the Director of Parks and Recreation.

With your concurrence, I plan to propose to City Council that Chapter 3-3-3 of the City Code be changed to permit administrative designation of sites for dogs to be without direct physical control. Once obtained, the petition from the Travis Heights area can be considered.

Your approval is recommended.

Michael J. Heitz AIA, Director Parks and Recreation Department



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Parks and Recreation Board

FROM:

Michael J. Heitz, AIA, Director Parks and Recreation Department

DATE:

August 5, 1993

SUBJECT:

Land Exchange with Water and Wastewater Utility

Since 1973, the Jimmy Clay Golf Course has been located on land owned by the Water and Wastewater Utility. In 1985, the Williamson Creek Wastewater Treatment Plant, located on the remainder of the property, was abandoned.

The City Council has authorized the construction of an 18-hole addition to Jimmy Clay Golf course on the Williamson Creek site. A library is also planned for a portion of the property.

The City Council is being asked to authorize an exchange of land where the Water and Wastewater Utility would convey a portion of the Williamson Creek site (approximately 420 acres) to the General Fund in exchange for land under the Waller Creek Center Office Building (where the Utility has its offices).

I request your recommendation to Council to authorize this exchange of land.

Please let me know if you need additional information.

Michael J. Heitz, AIA, Director Parks and Recreation Department

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TO:

Parks and Recreation Board

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Michael J. Heitz, AIA, Director Parks and Recreation Department

DATE:

August 5, 1993

SUBJECT:

Extension of Ban on Glass Containers

City Ordinance 11-1-9 prohibits use of glass containers at various parks and at certain facilities such as playscapes at all parks. In earlier discussions about the problem of broken glass in the Barton Creek Greenbelt, the Board had recommended that the ordinance be changed to include this area and others. After review of the ordinance and discussion with our legal counsel, it was determined that the Director of Parks and Recreation has the authority to extend the ban on glass containers to all parks.

Broken glass is a significant problem both for users of the parks and for maintenance crews. The extension of the ban to all parks, however, will require a major public education effort. The City Manager requested that I review this proposal with you to see if you anticipate any difficulties or have some suggestions on how to make sure the general public receives the information in the most effective way.

I would like your approval of the extension of the ban on glass containers to all parks in our system.

Please let Kn

additional information.

Michael J. Heitz, AIA, Director Parks and Recreation Department

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